

(c) An amount of Rs. 85.00 crore has been allocated for the development of National Highways in Gujarat. The expenditure incurred is Rs. 7.92 crore and Rs. 1.07 crore for development & maintenance respectively in the State of Gujarat upto June, 2001.

Use of LPG in Motor Vehicles

1350. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any notification has been issued recently specifying the mass emission norms for motor vehicles running on LPG and thus use of LPG in motor vehicles has been legalised; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether any safety checks have been made mandatory for LPG fitment kits and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B. C. KHANDURI) (a) and (b) The use of LPG as auto fuel has been legislated by the Parliament through the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2000 *vide* Gazette Notification dated 14.8.2000. Emission and safety norms for LPG driven vehicles has been issued by this Ministry *vide* Notification No. GSR.284(E) dated 24.4.2001. Any manufacturer or supplier of LPG kit would have to get a type approval certificate from any one of the testing agencies authorized under Central Motor Vehicles Rules.